

# GERMANS CAPTURE WARSAW

## CONTRACT IS LET FOR HELEN'S RUN RAILROAD, AND WORK STARTS TODAY

A. L. Anderson and Brothers of Altoona, Successful Bidders.

TO COST ABOUT \$400,000

Several Hundred Men Will Be Employed for Six Months.

The contract for the construction of the Fairmont-Helen's Run railway from the Baltimore & Ohio tracks at Worthington to the Helen's Run coal field, a distance of six miles, has been let to A. L. Anderson & Bros., Inc., of Altoona, Pa., a successful bidder. The contract calls for the construction of a single track line with a number of workmen arrived in Marion county today. Men were put to work at once along the recently surveyed line for the purpose of getting ready for grading and bridge building, which will start promptly.

Several hundred men will be employed in building the new railroad and construction work will be pushed as rapidly as possible. It is believed that within six months or less the new road will be ready for the transportation of coal, which the Consolidation Company will mine from the rich field opened by shafts being dug at the new towns of Ida May and Carroll.

A. L. Anderson & Bros. have secured the contract for all the construction work, including the grading, filling, building of bridges and construction of trestles. A large amount of equipment, including three steam shovels, dinky engines, automobile trucks, dump carts, scrapers and horses are being shipped to Worthington and are expected to arrive within a day or two.

The Western Maryland Railroad Company, which is building the new line, plans to make the road one of the best single track coal roads in the United States. The firm of A. L. Anderson & Bros., the successful bidder for the big contract, has the reputation of being one of the most efficient and successful railroad construction companies in the United States and this company has done much satisfactory work for the Western Maryland road.

H. B. Pratt, chief engineer, and W. C. Kline, assistant chief engineer of the Western Maryland Railroad, are in the city today looking after matters pertaining to the new track. A. L. Anderson and C. F. Anderson, of the contracting firm of Anderson Bros., are going over the line this afternoon with the assistant chief engineer.

The Western Maryland Company will haul the coal from the Helen's Run field over the Baltimore & Ohio tracks from Worthington to Connellsville, thence over the Western Maryland lines to Atlantic coast ports. The Baltimore & Western Maryland has agreed to allow the Western Maryland to haul its coal over the former's tracks provided the Western Maryland does not build the contemplated line between the Helen's Run section and Fairmont, and later between Fairmont and Connellsville.

Coal for the west likely will be turned over to the New York Central either at Fairmont via the new Monongahela Railroad or at Connellsville. The mines being opened at Ida May shaft and Carolina shaft will produce, according to statements emanating from the Helen's Run region, some of the best coal mined from the Allegheny vein. The mines are to be opened with "Safety First" considered above everything else.

Ida May and Carolina mines will be two of the most up-to-date mines in the state, as far as safety appliances are concerned.

## Marines Complete Haitian Occupation

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti, Aug. 5.—The marines who landed last night from the American battleship Connecticut, have by this morning completed the occupation of the city. They are in possession also of the barracks of Dessalines. The people of Port-au-Prince are generally of the opinion that this American occupation will be of long duration. The marines are observing a very correct attitude, which is creating a good impression.

## NUMBER OF ERIE FLOOD VICTIMS MAY REACH 75

Work of Removing Bodies Proceeds Slowly Under Scorching Sun.

## MILITIA IS REINFORCED

Police, Firemen and Volunteers Search Masses of Wreckage.

ERIE, Pa., Aug. 24.—Twenty-four bodies have been recovered, 18 of which have been identified and a list of names of 15 known missing persons is the correct toll of victims of Tuesday night's flood.

Coroner Hanley said this morning that he thought the list would reach 75, being swelled by the probable loss of a number of foreigners whose houses were swept away on the banks of the creek at Ninth street.

Working in relays under a scorching sun, police, firemen and volunteers today continued their search in masses of wreckage piled along Mill Creek by Tuesday's freshet for bodies still believed to be in the debris. Some headway was made during the night and anxious crowds moved from morgue to morgue every time the report was spread that another body had been recovered. There still remains great piles of ruins that had not been explored and friends of the missing shudder when they think of what these heaps may yield.

One body was recovered during the night, that of a foreigner, although there were many reports of other finds to disappoint the weary watchers along the ravine. The body was taken to Coroner Hanley's morgue, to (Continued on Page Ten.)

## The Weather.

West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania—Partly cloudy tonight and Friday.

## Temperature Today

Recorded hourly at The West Virginian office.				
A. M. . .	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00
	.72	.76	.79	.79
NOON—	80.			
P. M. . .	1:00	2:00	3:00	
	.80	.81	.81	

## MARKET PLACE OF WARSAW



CENTER OF COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY IN CITY CAPTURED BY GERMANS.

## Three Babies Burned Alive

CHILDREN OF WEALTHY MANUFACTURER PERISH IN BLAZING COTTAGE.

(By Associated Press.)

DELAWARE, Wis., Aug. 5.—Three children were burned to death today, eight cottages were destroyed and a ninth dynamited to save others in a fire at Lake Delava, a resort near here early today. The fire was brought under control in time to save a number of summer hotels.

The dead are Helen, Lucy and Mary Bryant, small children of George G. Bryant, president of the Racine Rubber Company, in whose cottage the fire is believed to have started from an overheated chimney.

Because of the cold weather, grate fires have been lighted in the cottages for several nights. The Bryant children were apparently dazed and refused to jump from windows when told to do so. While their parents watched helplessly the children's clothing caught fire and they fell back in the burning room. A search for a ladder consumed some time and when produced the children were dead.

## Recovers Memory Remarries Wife

TIFFIN, Ohio, Aug. 5.—John T. Martin, 65 years old, of Paxton, Ill., the other day married Mrs. Emma Knepper, 63 years old, a Fosteria widow, the same woman he led to the altar forty-two years ago.

Twelve years after their marriage, Martin while traveling in Illinois, was injured in a railroad accident and suffered a complete lapse of memory. For ten years he was in a state hospital, lost to his family and friends.

When he suddenly recovered his memory, the first thing he did was to look for his wife. He found that she, believing he had deserted her, divorced him and married a man named Knepper, who is dead.

Martin renewed his suit. Recently they were married for the second time and are now on their second honeymoon, a trip to Florida.

## Must Not Dump Waste in Fairmont Streets

Do the residents of Fairmont appreciate the new streets of our city? Many merchants and people residing on these streets have been emptying their waste and dirty water on the pavement in front of their dwellings and business houses.

It is well known in Fairmont that it is against a city ordinance and a violation of law to do this, and it will be stopped by the local police. An effort is being made by the city authorities to make Fairmont the cleanest city in West Virginia and they need the cooperation of the women of Fairmont in doing this.

## U. S. TO SEND FRANCE NOTE

Will Protest Against Seizure of American Steamer Dacia.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—The announcement from Paris yesterday that a French prize court had confirmed the seizure of the American steamer Dacia as a fair prize, found the state department preparing to protest the decision, which carries with it the forfeiture of the vessel. It is planned to make this a test case of the right of a neutral country to grant registry to a belligerent-owned merchant ship.

The Dacia's cotton cargo is not involved. Before the Dacia sailed from Galveston last spring for Rotterdam, Great Britain announced that the cargo, consigned for Bremen, would not be detained, the announcement being binding upon France. The French government purchased the cotton through a special appropriation, and first payments of its owners were made today at the state department.

The issue in the Dacia case is the right of the United States government to permit registry under its flag of a vessel formerly owned by the Hamburg-American Steamship Company, a German corporation, but declared to have been sold to an American citizen. The British government, which has sanctioned such transfers in war time, could not consistently seize the Dacia.

## Restaurant Owner Tips His Employees

(COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 5.—Manager Ben Harman of a local restaurant tips his waiters, so that with their regular stipend and the plunder picked up from generous patrons they are reasonably happy.

Harman says it pays to tip waiters. The way he does it is this: Each month there is a contest, all the waiters being entered. The one who shows the largest receipts gets \$15. The waiter serving the largest number of persons gets \$10 and the third prize of \$5 goes to the best all around average for politeness.

## Washtub is Doomed Says Laundryman

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 5.—How to reduce the cost of laundering so that the average housewife can no longer afford to do the work herself is the big problem before the Laundrymen's National Association of America, in session here. Manufacturers represented at the convention promise to produce machinery which will wash and finish every garment in ordinary household use at a price below the cost of doing it at home.

"In a few years the women of America will rise up and bless the laundrymen," said William E. Fletcher, president of the association.

Misses Bertha and Nellie Wise will leave Friday for a several weeks' visit with relatives in Brownsville and Pittsburgh.

## Coal Hearing Starts Today

RATES TO W. VA. DISCRIMINATORY SAY OHIO MINE OWNERS.

(By Associated Press.)

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 5.—Hearing was begun today by the Utility Commission of Ohio on the petition for a change in coal rates on railroads with in the state.

Thirty-nine railroads are affected, while arrayed on the side that is asking a change in rates are coal operators and representatives of 40,000 miners, who are idle as a result of the closing.

Coal operators and miners allege that the suspending of mines is due to the fact that present freight rates are discriminatory to such an extent that the Ohio product can not be marketed in competition with West Virginia coal.

## GERMAN NOTE REACHES U. S.

Asserts American Rights Not Violated in Frye Ship Case.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—Germany is unyielding in her refusal to concede that the sinking of the American sailing ship William P. Frye by the auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich in the South Atlantic last January was a violation of American rights under the Prussian-American treaty or international law.

In reply to the last representations of the United States, the German foreign office, in a note made public here last night by the State Department, reiterates a previous justification of Germany's course, declares again her willingness to pay for the ship and accepts a proposal first advanced by the United States—that the amount of damages be fixed by two experts, one to be selected by each country.

Such a sum the German government pledges itself to pay promptly with the stipulation, however, that the payment shall not be viewed as a satisfaction for violation of American rights. Should that method be unsatisfactory, Germany invites the United States to arbitration at The Hague.

## Held for Furnishing Liquor to Minors

Virgie Johnson, a youth of Davis Run, when arrested and brought before Squire Musgrove yesterday for drunkenness implicated Harry Jones of Riverdale. Johnson stated that Jones furnished him liquor. Johnson's father went on his bond for his appearance later. Jones was bound over for the grand jury, charged with furnishing liquor to minors.

## LONG STRUGGLE AT LAST TERMINATES IN VICTORY FOR TEUTONIC HOSTS

Bavarian Troops Break Through The Outer And Inner Line Of Forts

## RUSSIAN REAR GUARD FIGHTS BRAVELY

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN wireless to Tuckertown, N. J., August 5.—Warsaw was taken this morning by German troops according to official announcement made at German army headquarters.

Yesterday and last night Bavarian troops under command of Prince Leopold broke through the forts of the outer and inner lines of city defenses where the rear guard of the Russian troops made a tenacious resistance. Continuing the report from headquarters says: The German army under General Von Scholz, and General Gowlitz advanced in the direction of the road between Lawa, Ostrov and Cyszkov, and fought a number of violent engagements.

The brave and desperate resistance of the Russians on both sides of the roads between Ostrov and Rozan, was without success. Twenty-two Russian officers and 4,480 soldiers were taken prisoners. The Germans also captured 17 machine guns.

German cavalry yesterday and the day before defeated in Courland, detachments of Russian cavalry at a point near Genagize, Virshi and Oniskschly. A total of 2,225 Russian prisoners were taken in Courland.

The situation near and to the north of Ivangor remains unchanged. The campaign is being continued between the upper Vistula and River Bug. German cavalry men have entered Wladimir-Wolynsk on the Bug River. In the Vostok there has been new engagements near the Linkeop.

The fall of Warsaw marks the culmination of the greatest sustained offensive movement of the European war. Three before Teutonic armies have knocked at the gates only to be denied by the strength of its defenses and resistance of the forces holding out.

Apparently impregnable in the face of direct attack it was compelled to capitulate before the sweep of vast movements which threatened to encircle the capital, and with it the Russian army engaged in the campaign of which it was the storm center.

From the north, northwest, west, south and southeast the Austro-German forces have been pressing upon the Polish capital in a combined drive to force the Russians out of Poland and if possible to break their offensive power for an indefinite period by administering a decisive defeat all along the line.

The movement may be said to have had its inception in May when the great Teutonic march through Galicia began. To get at the Russian army in Poland from the southeast, it was first necessary to clear Galicia of the greater part of troops. How successfully this was accomplished is familiar history.

Field Marshal von Mackensen's campaign in its first important stages culminated when late in June, Lemberg was retaken and the Russians were driven over the Galician border. Then early in July the Teutonic forces coming from the south halted while preparations were made for the next stage of the campaign.

Signs of the form this was to take were soon apparent. Great armies had been assembled to the north and early in June began pressing down upon the Russians from this direction.

A vigorous offensive was opened in the Baltic provinces. The Teutonic troops attacked from point to point along the East Prussian border and with General Von Hindenberg directing the general operations along this section of the fighting front.

A determined drive began in the Przasnysz region. Simultaneously the Teutonic army in the south showed reawakening activity. Field Marshal von Mackensen resumed his assault. The German forces working with the Austrians to inflict smashing blows on the Russians from this direction.

Step by step their way toward the city from the north and south, while on the west activities along the line of entrenchments that had so long held up the German end of the section were resumed.

Before the power of the Teutons engaged in this encircling movement

the armies of Grand Duke Nicholas began to fall back. Przasnysz, to the north of Warsaw, was occupied and the German army swept on. By July 19 they had forced the Russians back to the line of the Narew River, and pushed their way to within 20 miles of the goal. The (Continued on Page Ten.)

## Carranza Makes Attack on Nogales

NOGALES, Ariz., Aug. 5.—Bombardment of Nogales, Sonora, held by the Villa troops under Governor Maytorena, was begun yesterday by Carranza forces commanded by General Calles. The Carranza guns appeared to be only two miles from the border town. Calles held possession of the hills east of Nogales, Sonora. Maytorena's outposts fell back under heavy fire of rifles and machine guns. Bullets fell occasionally on the American side of the boundary, while a few shells dropped into the Mexican town. Chinese crossed from Nogales, Sonora, under guard.

## ADVERTISING SERMONETTES

A Short One Every Day for the Busy Business Man

Advertising is the power which attracts trade from one locality to another. The same power properly applied will keep it at home.

While you are trying to figure out how the other fellow can afford to advertise so liberally, your customers may be making it possible for him to do so.—Wisconsin Agriculturist.

A business has character just as much as an individual. It may be high character—or the other sort. A man of high character does not, in order to maintain it, find it necessary to accuse all the rest of the world of thieving and extortion, and to claim exclusive proprietorship of all virtue for himself.

Mere originality is not advertising ability. What is there novel in the newest examples of retail advertising in the metropolitan newspapers? How much of cleverness or originality is there in the best department store pages? Instead of originality and novelty these advertisements are characterized by the more important, the great essential quality of advertising—salesmanship. They contain information and argument about goods, written convincingly and displayed attractively. That is real advertising.

## GOLD SHOWER MEANS HIGH HONOR AS WELL AS BIG PRIZES FOR BABIES

"The little savings account means more for the future of the children of a family than all the advice in the world. It gives them the right start."

WM. MCKINLEY. To be nominated as a contestant in The West Virginian's "Shower of Gold" campaign is no small honor to come to your baby. It is an indication of the esteem in which you and your baby are held by your friends. The West Virginian's Shower of Gold for Babies is, in every conceivable way, a creditable undertaking, and one in which it will be an honor to take part. But sometimes friends are neglectful, and perhaps your baby has not been nominated. If you have not received notice that your little tot is among those nominated, lose no time, but send or bring in his or her name today. In a few days we are going to publish the names of the dear little darlings whose names have been sent in. You want your baby's name to appear, among the most popular in West Virginia don't you? We want it there, too, so let's cooperate—you bring in your baby's name and we'll see that it appears in the list. (Continued on Page Three.)